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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Blasting to Take Place on Curve Realignment Near Buckhorn Summit

REDDING – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 2 reports there will be some roadside blasting along State Route (SR) 299 near the Shasta/Trinity county line on Thursday, September 22, 2005. Charges will be detonated on the Sand House Curve Realignment project between the hours of 12:00 PM and 3:00 PM, with the possibility of additional blasting on Monday and Tuesday September 26 and 27. Motorists can expect traffic controls and flaggers, along with delays of up to 25 minutes during detonation.

The \$2.64 million curve realignment project is located approximately 3 miles west of Buckhorn Summit on SR 299. The project will improve curve radius, increase sight distance, add 8-foot shoulders and increase overall safety while bringing the roadway up to current standards.

Highway Advisory Radio broadcasts on 1610 AM in the area of the construction site will advise motorists of the upcoming Cone Zone along with any information regarding delays.

Caltrans suggests checking out their website for traveler information @ www.dot.ca.gov/dist2 before hitting the road. Resources such as local traffic cameras and road reports can assist people in determining their best route or time to travel.

Please remember to Slow for the Cone Zone.

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